

**BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**A SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (TSA) TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION AND FINANCING OF THE AUTOMATED HOLD BAGGAGE SCREENING PROJECT TO BE PERFORMED AT HARTSFIELD ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,600,000.00 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, on November 19, 2001, President Bush signed into law the Aviation Transportation Security Act, which created the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to oversee certain aspects of transportation security; and

**WHEREAS**, recent federal security mandates require that the TSA install equipment to allow for electronic explosives detection screening of all baggage being placed on a commercial aircraft leaving the Airport by December 31, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to be responsive to the federal security mandates and TSA requirements; the Hold Baggage Screening Project will be implemented by the TSA at the Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, the TSA has procured under federal guidelines designers and contractors required to implement the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the TSA has requested the City pay a portion of the cost of the project as it is constructed. Funds are anticipated to be made available in future years to reimburse all or part of the City's share; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and TSA will enter into a written agreement(s) defining the terms of the Hold Baggage Screening Project. The terms of the agreement(s) will include the approval of specifications and construction plans as well as the schedule of funding and financial reimbursement to the City for all or part of the funds expended; and

**WHEREAS**, it is prudent to authorize the Mayor to execute the MOA(s) in a timely manner so as to meet the December 31, 2003 deadline.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA**, that the Mayor or her designee be and hereby is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding(s) with the TSA related to the Hold Baggage Screening Project in an amount not to exceed \$180,600,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Attorney be and hereby is directed to prepare the agreement for execution by the Mayor.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the agreement(s) authorized hereunder shall not become binding upon the City and the City shall incur no obligation or liability thereunder until the same has been signed by the Mayor and delivered to the TSA.